**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
**FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

# FISCAL MEMORANDUM

# HB 1270 – SB 1372

April 1, 2016

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Expands the list of "crimes" for which victims are immune from civil liability when testifying against an offender at a parole hearing to include victims of domestic assault; vandalism and false imprisonment when the victim is a domestic abuse victim; a violation of an order of protection or restraining order; and stalking.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015345):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause.

Requires law enforcement officers that respond to a report of a domestic assault crime; a vandalism crime in which the victim is a domestic abuse victim; a violation of an order of protection or restraining order; or a stalking crime to provide the alleged victim with information, if available, on the statewide automated victim information and notification service provided by the Tennessee Sheriffs' Association.

The law enforcement agency can request the information from a victim witness coordinator within the District Attorneys General Conference (DAGC) if the agency does not have the necessary materials.

Changes the effective date from July 1, 2015, to July 1, 2016.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The DAGC may receive an increase in request for materials, but the DAGC reports that it can handle any impact within its existing resources.

- The bill as amended requires law enforcement agencies to disseminate information to certain alleged victims. Law enforcement agencies already disseminate information to other victims of certain crimes. The additional requirement under the bill as amended will not significantly impact local law enforcement.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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